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SUBJ: PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES, LETTER FROM T/T PRIME  
MINISTER

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF NOVEMBER 29 LETTER FROM  
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO PERMREP TO SYG, DISTRIBUTED AS DOCUMENT  
A/9376, DECEMBER 3.

QUESTION OF TERRITORIES UNDER PORTUGUESE ADMINISTRATION

LETTER DATED 29 NOV 1973 FROM PERMREP OF TRINIDAD AND  
TOBAGO TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESS TO SYG

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO CONVEY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FROM  
PRIMIN OF T/T WHICH WAS RECEIVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO YOU.

"A CURRENT EXAMINATION OF POSITION OF T/T IN RESPECT OF  
WORLD "ENERGY CRISIS" HAS REVEALED PETROLEUM TRANSACTIONS,  
DIRECT OR INDIRECT, BETWEEN OIL COMPANIES OPERATING IN  
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T/T AND ANGOLA CONTRARY TO STATED POLICY OF T/T. IMPORTS

OF CRUDE OIL FROM ANGOLA CEASED IN JUNE 1973. EXPORTS  
APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN MADE THROUGH AN ARRANGEMENT KNOWN AS  
WEST AFRICAN REPLENISHMENT PROGRAMME, WHICH IS UNDERSTOOD  
TO BE A VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATION AMONG OIL COMPANIES IN  
RESPECT OF SHIPMENTS TO WEST AFRICAN COUNTRIES NORTH OR  
SOUTH OF IVORY COAST. CABINET OF T/T DECIDED THIS MORNING  
TO DIRECT ALL OIL COMPANIES OPERATING IN COUNTRY TO CEASE  
FORTHWITH ALL OIL TRANSACTIONS WITH ANGOLA WHICH  
INVOLVED T/T, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY. THIS  
PROHIBITION WILL EXTEND TO ANY AREA UNDER LIBERATION OR  
RECLAMATION BY AFRICANS OPPOSING PORTUGUESE COLONIALISM.  
T/T HAS ALWAYS OPPOSED PORTUGUESE COLONIALISM IN AFRICA,  
ESPECIALLY AS A MEMBER OF COMITE OF 24; IN A RECENT  
CABINET DECISION, IT ANNOUNCED THAT IT WOULD PROVIDE  
TRINIDAD FACILITIES FOR AFRICANS IN ANTICIPATION OF  
INEVITABLE INDEPENDENCE OF THESE COLONIAL TERRITORIES IN  
CONFIRMITY WITH PARA 6 OF SC RES 312 (1972), OF 4 FEB  
1972, AND PARA 6 OF GA RES 2918 (XXVII) OF 14 NOV 1972.  
CABINET HAS DECIDED TO PRESENT TO PARLIAMENT, WHICH IS NOW  
PROROGUED, AS SOON AS IT IS RECONVEND, LEGISLATION TO EXTEND  
TO PORTUGAL, ANGOLA AND MOZAMBIQUE PROHIBITION IN FORCE  
SINCE 1967 ON TRADE WITH SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH DECISION OF CABINET.

I AM ALSO SENDING COPIES OF THIS TELEGRAM TO SYG OF  
ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY, TO SYG OF ORGANIZATION OF  
PETROLEUM EXPORTING COUNTRIES AND TO OIL COMPANIES OPERATING  
IN TRINIDAD, BOTH TO THEIR INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND  
TO THEIR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES.

HIGHEST CONSIDERATION."

I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THIS LETTER COULD BE CIRCULATED  
AS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER AGENDA  
ITEM 71.

(SIGNED) EUSTACE SEIGNORET  
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE  
BENNETT

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